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DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES— Dec. 2004

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Dec. 2004 from—	
	Dec. 2003	June 2004	Dec. 2004	Dec. 2003	June 2004
1. Piece Goods	473.7	490.9	495.2	4.5	0.9
2. Domestics and Draperies	543.9	538.7	527.4	-3.0	-2.1
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	629.7	631.8	650.7	3.3	3.0
4. Men's Shoes	847.8	854.5	841.5	-0.7	-1.5
5. Infants' Wear	586.4	567.3	577.4	-1.5	1.8
6. Women's Underwear	509.6	508.4	517.2	1.5	1.7
7. Women's Hosiery	344.1	329.9	339.2	-1.4	2.8
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	551.3	581.5	565.6	2.6	-2.7
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	362.7	361.9	352.5	-2.8	-2.6
10. Men's Clothing	535.1	540.3	535.8	0.1	-0.8
11. Men's Furnishings	583.4	578.3	569.9	-2.3	-1.5
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	429.0	431.3	414.2	-3.4	-4.0
13. Jewelry	848.0	897.4	866.2	2.1	-3.5
14. Notions	799.6	791.9	792.2	-0.9	0.0
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	976.5	998.9	992.1	1.6	-0.7
16. Furniture and Bedding	612.9	624.2	602.0	-1.8	-3.6
17. Floor Coverings	595.1	592.9	592.5	-0.4	-0.1
18. Housewares	710.6	712.6	708.0	-0.4	-0.6
19. Major Appliances	206.8	200.4	199.9	-3.3	-0.2
20. Radio and Television	43.8	41.9	40.3	-8.0	-3.8
21. Recreation and Education ¹	81.5	80.7	78.3	-3.9	-3.0
22. Home Improvements ¹	125.4	129.3	131.7	5.0	1.9
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	112.1	112.4	112.9	0.7	0.4
1-15. Soft Goods	555.8	559.3	552.5	-0.6	-1.2
16-20. Durable Goods	386.8	384.1	378.5	-2.1	-1.5
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	93.5	93.4	92.2	-1.4	-1.3
Store Total ²	495.1	496.5	490.1	-1.0	-1.3

¹ Indexes on a January 1986=100 base.

² The Store Total index covers all departments, with the following exceptions: candy, food, liquor, tobacco, as well as contract departments.

NOTE: Indexes for previous periods and a brief description of the methods used in calculating the indexes may be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Labor Statistics at (202) 691-6968. The application of these indexes in the preparation of tax returns is solely within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service. Treasury Decision No. 5605 accords the use of the elective inventory method by taxpayers employing the retail inventory method.

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